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METHOD OF PAYMENT

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- [] Applicant claims small entity status.
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Independent Claims <u>7</u>
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Application of Machine Ruman et al.

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For ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH IMPROVED FASTENING SYSTEM AND

METHOD OF FASTENING THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,

SIR/MADAM:

Please enter the following amendments into the above-identified application prior to examination thereof.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

25. A method for securing engagement between fastening components of a pre-fastened article upon initial assembly thereaf, the fastening components being capable of fastening engagement with each other, the method comprising the steps of:

arranging the fastening components in at least partially opposed relationship with each other;

engaging the fastening components with each other to define an engagement seam; and

urging sliding movement of one fastening component relative to the other fastening component to promote increased engagement between the fastening components at the engagement seam.

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